PRESIDENT : That is exactly what the sub-committee is trying to find out.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*) : The members of the sub-committee *are* the persons responsible for these irregularities.

PRESIDENT : That is *your* opinion.

Complaints against the Co-operative Inspector, Pattanamtitta taluk.

42. **MR. K. KRISHNAN NAIR** (*Pattanamtitta*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Registrar or Co-operative Societies has received any complaints from the people against the Co-operative Inspector at Pattanamtitta, and, if so, what action has been taken upon them ; and

(*b*) how long the present (12-4-1107) Inspector has been at Pattanamtitta ?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) The answer in the negative.

(*b*) The present Inspector has been at Pattanamtitta for 8 years from the 26th Vrischikam 1099.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*) : With regard to part (2), may I know from the member whether it is advisable to keep an officer for such a long time in one place ?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : So far as the Co-operative Department is concerned, it is considered not undesirable to have, as their officers, men who have gained local experience in one and the same place for years together.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*) : But, so far as this particular officer is concerned, as has been stated in the answer, he has been at Pattanamtitta for the last eight years. May I know whether the Government will consider the question of giving him a transfer from there ?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : The head of the department will be asked with regard to that.

Ryots' roads in the Pattanamtitta taluk.

43. **MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR** (*Pattanamtitta*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing ;

(*a*) the mileage of ryots' roads in Pattanamtitta taluk which were requested by the people to be taken up by the Government for maintenance during the last five years (1102-1106) ; and

(*b*) the mileage of roads already taken up for maintenance ?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) The information is not available.

(*b*) 9¼ miles.

Shifting of the Vernacular School, Punalur, from its present site.

44. **MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR** (*Pattanapuram cum Shencotta*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is a proposal to shift the Vernacular School at Punalur from its present location ;

(*b*) whether a new site has been proposed to be acquired for the school building ;

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[Mr. S. Chattanatha Karayalar.]

(c) if so, when the site will be acquired; and

(d) when the school will be shifted from its present site?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (a) Yes.

(b) More sites than one have been proposed, but one has not been agreed upon.

(c) and (d) The acquisition of a new site and the construction of a building thereon can be taken up only after the present financial situation improves.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*): With reference to the answer to part (a) may I know how long the proposal was before the Government?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): About five years.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*): May I know what was the ground urged in favour of the proposal for shifting?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Inadequacy of the present site and the necessity for a larger building for that school.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*) With reference to the answer to part (b), what was the difficulty in fixing upon a particular site for a period of five years?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There was some difficulty. One site was first selected. Later on it was found that it was not a good site because it was in a too congested area. Then it was suggested that a fresh site should be selected and the Director of Public Instruction has promised to inspect the place personally and send a report.

Contract for the construction of the Aruvikara dam.

45. MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the name of the person who has been given the contract for the construction of the dam at Aruvikara;

(b) when the contract was given;

(c) the total cost of the work done by him;

(d) whether it is a fact that the contract has been terminated, and, if so, when and why; and

(e) what time will be taken to complete the head works at Aruvikara?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (a) Messrs. Charry and Co.

(b) 30th January, 1931.

(c) Rs. 37,000.

(d) No.

(e) It is hoped that the head works will be completed in another 12 to 15 months.

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